

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>DATE: February 7, 2008</b> _____
<b>v.</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>CRIMINAL NO.: 08-</b> _____
<b>KENNETH THOMAS LAPORTE</b> a/k/a "Ken Knowles," a/k/a "Ken Knowles-Laporte," a/k/a "Sebastian Knowles"	<b>:</b>	<b>VIOLATIONS:</b> <b>18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(1)(distribution and</b> <b>transportation of child pornography–2</b> <b>counts)</b> <b>18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(4)(B) (possession of</b> <b>child pornography–1 count)</b>

**INDICTMENT**

**COUNT ONE**

**THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:**

On or about April 25, 2007, at approximately 1:54 a.m., in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendant

**KENNETH THOMAS LAPORTE**  
a/k/a "Ken Knowles,"  
a/k/a "Ken Knowles-Laporte,"  
a/k/a "Sebastian Knowles,"

knowingly transported and shipped in interstate commerce a visual depiction showing minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct and the producing of those visual depictions involved the use of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, that is, Laporte emailed from his America OnLine (AOL) account, to the AOL account of JMD in Mobile, Alabama, a video clip identified as, "Boy\_blow\_load\_on\_other\_boy's\_balls.mpg (937K)."

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(1).

**COUNT TWO**

**THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:**

On or about April 25, 2007, at approximately 9:38 a.m., in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendant

**KENNETH THOMAS LAPORTE**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles,”**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles-Laporte,”**

**a/k/a “Sebastian Knowles,”**

knowingly transported and shipped in interstate commerce a visual depiction showing minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct and the producing of those visual depictions involved the use of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, that is, Laporte emailed from his America OnLine (AOL) account, to the AOL account of JMD in Mobile, Alabama, a video clip identified as, “Short\_- \_Boys\_Trying\_Oral\_Sex.mpeg (500K).”

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(1).

**COUNT THREE**

**THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:**

In or about January 14, 2008, at approximately 6:30 a.m., in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendant

**KENNETH THOMAS LAPORTE**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles,”**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles-Laporte,”**

**a/k/a “Sebastian Knowles,”**

knowingly possessed one or more video tapes and other matter, namely, compact discs, which contained visual depictions produced with materials which had been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign commerce. The production of these visual depictions involved the use of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct and the visual depictions were of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(4)(A).

**THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:**

**NOTICE OF FORFEITURE**

As a result of the violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252 (a)(1) and (a)(4)(A), set forth in this Indictment, defendant

**KENNETH THOMAS LAPORTE**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles,”**

**a/k/a “Ken Knowles-Laporte,”**

**a/k/a “Sebastian Knowles,”**

shall forfeit to the United States of America all visual depictions described in Counts 1, 2, and 3, and any property, real or personal, traceable to gross profits or other proceeds obtained from such offense, and any property, real or personal, used or intended to be used to commit or to promote the commission of such offense, including computers, CD players and CD's.

If any of the property subject to forfeiture as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2253 and

2254(d), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property.

All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(a)(1),(2),(3) and (b).

**A TRUE BILL:**

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**FOREPERSON**

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**PATRICK L. MEEHAN**  
**UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**